

REMARKS

Claims 15, 17-21 and 23-29 are pending in this application.

Applicants hereby affirm the election of Group II, claims 15-29, for prosecution in the present application. Non-elected claims 1-14 have been canceled.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the June 30, 2006 Office Action that claims 26-29 are allowable.

In the June 30, 2006 Office Action, claims 16 and 22 were objected to but were indicated as being "allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." (June 30, 2006 Office Action at 5). In response, claims 16 and 22 have been canceled and their limitations have been incorporated in amended independent claims 15 and 21, respectively. Accordingly, all pending claims 15, 17-21 and 23-29 are in now condition for allowance.

A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

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